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Summary Information

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Administrative History

Wendel's Radio and Electric Service began as a "service" in the late 1920s under the auspices of the Hub Music and Supply Company on North Main Street in Crown Point, Indiana. Harold Wendel was a radio and electronic expert. He was one of two boys born in Illinois to Henry and Louise D. Wendel.

After Harold's high school education, electronics led him to build the first local radio station in Crown Point during 1926. A broadcasting station license was given to him for the purpose of "carrying on of general broadcasting for public information, instruction, amusement or entertainment." The station was located at 317 E. North Street and known as WLBT.

In 1929 Harold became affiliated with Hub Music, repairing radios and various electronics. During 1933, financial activities were recorded for Wendel's Radio and Electric Service. It was located in the Kilbourn building at 115 North Main Street in Crown Point, Indiana. In January 1952, the service store was located in a new building at 600 North Main Street.

By the late 1950s, Wendel's accepted only selective service commitments. Due to health reasons, Harold semiretired in 1952. He continued to renew his electrical license into 1982 and did minor repairs using his home address of 203 East North Street until his death on October 20, 1983.

Harold is buried in the Lowell Memorial Park Cemetery in Lowell, Indiana.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes purchase orders, expenditures, customer receipts, check stubs, canceled checks, invoices, and memorabilia from Harold Wendel in Crown Point, Indiana ranging from 1920 to 1974 regarding Wendel's Radio and Electric Service.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged in the following series:

Series 1: Historical documents and artifacts, circa 1920-1974, 1988

Series 2: Purchase orders and expenditures, 1933-1973

Series 3: Customer receipts, 1949-1967

Series 4: Check stubs, 1939-1959

Series 5: Canceled checks, 1939-1974

Series 6: Invoices, circa 1920-1960s

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Westinghouse Electric Corporation. Lamp Divisions.

Geographic Name(s)

- Crown Point (Ind.)

Personal Name(s)

- Wendel, Harold

Subject(s)

- Documents
- Expenditures
- Rare Books and Manuscripts
- Receipts
- Stores, Retail--Electric equipment

Series 1: Historical documents and artifacts, circa 1920-1974, 1988

Collection Inventory

Series 1: Historical documents and artifacts, circa 1920-1974, 1988		
	Box	Folder
Wendel's Radio and Electric Services history, 1988	1	1
Wendel's Radio and Electric Services history, 1988	1	2
Stationary, circa 1920-1974	1	3
Purchase order forms, circa 1920-1974	1	4
Purchase order forms, circa 1920-1974	1	5
Claim check and work order forms, circa 1920-1974	1	6
Business cards and pencils, circa 1920-1974	1	7
Series 2: Purchase orders and expenditures, 1933-1973		
	Box	Folder
Expenditures, 1933/08/15-1936 Dec.	1	8
Expense ledger, 1933-1941	1	9

Series 3: Customer receipts, 1949-1967

Expense ledgers and receipts, 1942, 1968-1973, 1968-1970	1	10
Supply house ledgers, 1934-1948, 1949	2	1
Supply house ledgers, 1934-1948, 1949	2	2
Supply house ledgers, 1934-1948, 1949	2	3
Supply house ledgers, 1949-1957	2	4
Balance and audit documents, 1942-1950	2	5
Balance documents, 1942 Aug.-1957 Dec., 1958-1962	2	6
Work order documents, 1945 Dec.-1969	2	7
Freight bills, 1950 Jan.-1952 Jan.	3	1

Series 3: Customer receipts, 1949-1967

	Box	Folder
Customer receipts, 1949	3	2
Customer receipts, 1949	3	3
Customer receipts, 1953-1954	3	4

Series 4: Check stubs, 1939-1959

Customer receipts, 1955	3	5
Customer receipts, 1955	3	6
Customer receipts, 1956	4	1
Customer receipts, 1956	4	2
Customer receipts, 1957	4	3
Customer receipts, 1958	4	4
Customer receipts, 1959	4	5
Customer receipts, 1960	4	6
Customer receipts, 1961	4	7
Customer receipts, 1962	4	8
Customer receipts, 1965	4	9
Customer receipts, 1966-1967	4	10
Check stubs, 1939 Oct.-1941 Apr.	4	11

Series 4: Check stubs, 1939-1959

Series 5: Canceled checks, 1939-1974

	Box	Folder
Check stubs, 1939 Oct.-1941 Apr.	5	1
Check stubs, 1944 Jan.-1945 Jan.	5	2
Check stubs, 1945 Dec.-1946 Oct.	5	3
Check stubs, 1947 Nov.-1948/05/15	5	4
Check stubs, 1948 Dec.-1949 Aug.	5	5
Check stubs, 1949 Aug.-1950 Mar.	5	6
Check stubs, 1951 May-1952 Jan.	6	1
Check stubs, 1953 Jan.-1953 July	6	2
Check stubs, 1953 July-1954 Dec.	6	3
Check stubs, 1954 Dec.-1956 Aug.	6	4
Check stubs, 1956 Aug.-1959 Dec.	6	5
Series 5: Canceled checks, 1939-1974		

	Box	Folder
Canceled checks, 1939 Oct.-1940	7	1

Series 5: Canceled checks, 1939-1974

Canceled checks, 1941	7	2
Canceled checks, 1942, 1944-1945	7	3
Canceled checks, 1946	7	4
Canceled checks, 1947	8	1
Canceled checks, 1948	8	2
Canceled checks, 1949	8	3
Canceled checks, 1949	8	4
Canceled checks, 1950	8	5
Canceled checks, 1951 May-1951 Dec.	9	1
Canceled checks, 1952	9	2
Canceled checks, 1953	9	3
Canceled checks, 1954	9	4
Canceled checks, 1955	9	5
Canceled checks, 1956	9	6

Series 6: Invoices, circa 1920-1960s

Canceled checks, 1957-1958	10	1
Canceled checks, 1959-1961	10	2
Canceled checks, 1962-1963, 1964	10	3
Canceled checks, 1965-1973	10	4
Series 6: Invoices, circa 1920-1960s		
	Box	Folder
"A" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	10	5
"E" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	10	6
"F" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	10	7
"G" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	10	8
"H" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	10	9
"I" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	1
"K" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	2
"L" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	3

Series 6: Invoices, circa 1920-1960s

"M" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	4
"N" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	5
"P" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	6
"Q" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	7
"R" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	8
"S" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	11	9
"T" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	12	1
"U" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	12	2
"W" invoices, circa 1920-1960s	12	3
Westinghouse invoices, 1950	12	4
Westinghouse invoices, 1951	12	5
Westinghouse invoices, 1952-1953	12	6
Westinghouse invoices, 1954-1955	12	7

Series 6: Invoices, circa 1920-1960s

Westinghouse and Wendel's Radio and Electric Service memorandum of consignments, 1950 Jan.-1952 Apr.	12	8
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